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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on March 18, 2004, Applicants elect the invention of Group I (Claims 1-8 and 17), drawn to a lubricating polypeptide comprising amino acids 67-106 and 200-1140 of SEQ ID NO: 1 and fragments thereof; comprising at least one O-linked oligosaccharide, wherein said O-linked oligosaccharide is a beta (1-3) Gal-GalNAc. This election is made without traverse.

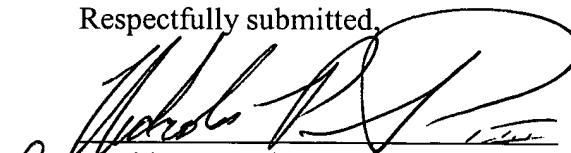
Applicant reserves the right to prosecute claims which are equal to or broader in scope in this, or future applications related to the above-identified patent application.

CONCLUSION

If there are any questions regarding these amendments and remarks, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 21486-026CIP2).

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